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Attached are the following documents: Response and Amendment Transmittal with 1(one) month Extension of Time

Response and Amendment

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Sir:

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We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- X Response and Amendment Transmittal with Petition for 1(one) month extension of time
- X Response and Amendment

FEE CALCULATION

CLAIM AMENDMENT(S)	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Add'l Claims	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	16-	20 =	0	x 50	\$00.00
Independent Claims	2 •	7=	0	× 200	\$00.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	4 -	4=		+ 360	\$00.00
				TOTAL	\$00.00

xxApplicants hereby petition for a 1 (one) month extension of time in the above application. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor;

XX Charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 the sum of \$120.00 (one-month extension fee).

 $\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}$ Please charge any additional fees or credits to Deposit Account No. 13-2546 which may have been overlooked on this Response and Amendment Transmittal with regard to this filing. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, if an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor to provide for the possibility that appliantlhas inadvertantly pyerlooked the need for an extension of time.

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Dear Sir:

Applicants enclose their Response and Amendment to the Office Action mailed February 21, 2006. A complete listing of the pending claims begins on page 2. Remarks begin on page 4. Enclosed with the Response and Amendment is Applicants' request for a one-month extension of time.